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SUBJECT: STATUS VARIOUS TREATIES

REFERENCE: KIGALI 664

1. STATUS LISTS GIVING SIGNATURES AND RATIFICATIONS NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY, SEABED ARMS CONTROL TREATY, AND BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION WILL BE SENT BY AIRGRAM. OTHER DEPOSITARIES (UK AND USSR) MAY HAVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NOT YET REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT.

2. US NOT PARTY TO CONVENTION ON NON-APPLICABILITY OF STATUTORY LIMITATIONS TO WAR CRIMES AND CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY. SUGGEST MOFA APPROACH UN WHICH IS DEPOSITARY FOR STATUS LIST. US POSITION THIS CONVENTION REMAINS SAME AS THAT REPORTED IN USUN PRESS RELEASE DATED JAN. 13, 1969, I.E., ALTHOUGH NOT OPPOSED TO BASIC PURPOSES OF CONVENTION, US VOTED AGAINST IT BECAUSE SEVERAL PROVISIONS AS FINALLY DRAFTED WERE NOT ACCURATE STATEMENTS OF GENERALLY ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL LAW. SPECIFICALLY, US OBJECTED TO USE OF THIS ESSENTIALLY TECHNICAL CONVENTION TO REDEFINE CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY IN A LEGALLY UNSATISFACTORY WAY. US SHARED THE CONCERN OF MANY DELEGATIONS ABOUT APPLYING THE CONVENTION'S PROHIBITION OF TIME LIMITS RETROACTIVELY IN SOME COUNTRIES IN WHICH SUCH LIMITS HAD ALREADY EXPIRED.

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